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For: Process and Apparatus for
Embossing Precise Microstructures and
Embossing Tool for Making Same

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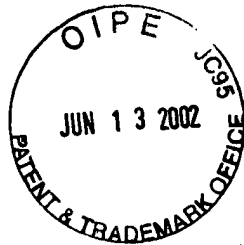
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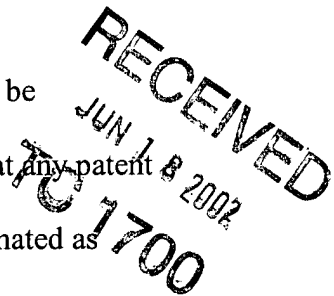
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It is respectfully submitted that the present application is patentable over these references,
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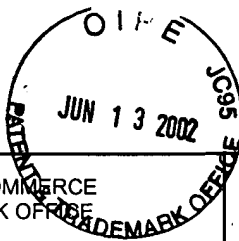
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